

Areva U.S. Enrichment Plant Timeline of Senator Craig's Involvement

At the request of media and stakeholders the following timeline highlights some of the Senator's involvement in the siting process that concluded with Idaho being selected as the host for Areva's first U.S. enrichment plant.

- May 2007 Areva's U.S. CEO, Mike McMurphy, briefed Senator Craig on plans to potentially build a uranium enrichment plant in the U.S.
 - At that meeting Senator Craig encouraged Areva to consider Idaho as a host State and pledged his commitment to making a strong case if Idaho were to be considered.
- In June 2007 the Areva Board approved proceeding with the U.S. enrichment plant project – at that time Areva requested assistance from Senator Craig in identifying potential host sites within Idaho.
 - Senator Craig then contacted the Governor's Office and his staff began working with the Idaho Department of Commerce to identify interested sites within Idaho.
- July 2007 Senator Craig facilitated an introductory meeting between Areva, the Governor of Idaho, Idaho's Department of Commerce, and five potential Idaho sites.
- August 2007 Senator Craig's staff led a tour of the 5 Idaho sites with Areva – staff facilitated meetings with key local stakeholders at each site during this visit.
- September 2007 Senator Craig met with local stakeholders from Southeastern Idaho in Washington D.C. and arranged a meeting for them with Areva at the company's Bethesda, MD headquarters.
- October 2007 Senator Craig arranged for follow on meetings in Boise with Areva and officials from the relevant State agencies.
- November 19, 2007 Senator Craig sent a letter signed by the Governor and the Idaho Congressional delegation, to Areva's CEO in Paris, Anne Lauvergeon, expressing support of Idaho's siting submissions.
- November 20, 2007 the Chiefs of Staff of the Idaho Congressional delegation met with Mike McMurphy, Areva's U.S. CEO, in his Bethesda offices to express Idaho's unified support for siting the enrichment plant in Southeastern Idaho.
- December 21, 2007 Senator Craig's staff arranged meetings between the Governor and State Agencies with Areva in Boise.
- January 2008, Senator Craig's staff worked in the development of a State Economic Development Proposal that was submitted to Areva.

- January 2008, Senator Craig's staff assisted with the development of amendments for the State legislature to support Areva's decision to site in Idaho.
- February 2008, Senator Craig contacted key State Representatives on the Committees of jurisdiction to encourage their support for the legislation.
- March 24, 2008, the Governor signed both economic incentive bills after passage in the State Legislature.
- April 22, 2008, Areva CEO Anne Lauvergeon called Senator Craig to inform him that the Areva Board had agreed with the recommendation to site the company's first U.S. uranium enrichment plant in Bonneville County, Idaho. Areva's Board made their decision official 2 hours before the call to Senator Craig. Madame Lauvergeon told the Senator that Areva's decision was a result of the overwhelming support that had been demonstrated at every level by the State of Idaho. She also asked that the Senator not comment on Idaho's selection until she had the opportunity to inform the other four states that they were not selected, which concluded on May 5, 2008.